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Parks, Pools and Playgrounds Proposal

Tuesday, November 5, 2019



**Parks and
Recreation**
CITY OF GRAND RAPIDS

Please visit the City of Grand Rapids Parks & Recreation webpage to
learn more about the "Parks, Pools and Playgrounds Proposal" at
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**The Parks, Pools and Playgrounds Proposal
will appear on the Tuesday, November 5 ballot.**

If approved by Grand Rapids voters, the parks millage would:

- Provide ongoing, stable and reliable funding for parks to keep our parks and playgrounds maintained and safe
- Keep all Grand Rapids pools and splash pads open for the summer season and provide the staff and supplies to keep them safe and clean
- Continue capital improvements and rehabilitation of our 74 neighborhood and community park spaces
- Support additional, free recreational programming for children in Grand Rapids
- Leverage outside grants and funding for capital improvement projects

What you need to know about the proposal:

- This parks millage would provide an estimated \$5 million annually in ongoing funding for our parks, pools and playgrounds.
 - The proposed rate of 1.25 mill would permanently replace the 2013 parks millage when it expires next year and cost the average homeowner an estimated \$68.75 per year, or about \$5.73 per month.
 - All millage dollars would be dedicated to parks, guided by the Parks and Recreation Strategic Master Plan and overseen by the Parks Advisory Board to ensure accountability and transparency.
 - If passed, every park in the City of Grand Rapids would see higher levels of maintenance, quicker repairs and improved facilities.
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